Dorcas Caledon, The Heiress of Caledon Heights.

AN AUTOBIOGRAPHY.

BY FLORENCE E DIAMOND. CHAPTER XIL

I will not weary the reader with minute details of my establishment at Caledon Heights, suffice it that in less than three months after Miss Armund's death I found myself installed as mistress there, though I could hardly make myself believe it, and it was long before I could make myself at home in the grand old house whose rooms I had once stolen through like a thief. I then turned my attention to the Barretts and Claytons. They had at first attempted to dispute my claim, but unable to do so they had vacated the Heights, refusing, however, to speak or recognize me in any way-all except Bertie Clayton, who came to visit me and seemed really pleased at my reinstation. He begged me earnestly, however, to go and see if anything could be done for Irving Barrett; he was a wild, reckless fellow, Bert declared, yet he was his brother and it drove him wild to think of his disgrace. I promised to do what I could, but I feared it would be little. I will confess that at first my hatred of Irving Barrett and my remembrance of his unkind treatment of me for awhile hardened my heart and made me half decide not to keep my promise to Bert, especially when I remembered the blow he had given me and the scar I still carried of it on my temple. But I remembered the words: "Except ye forgive ye can not be forgiven," and I relented. Irma. too, excited my sympathy. Bert declared ing over her brother's misfortune and refusing to go out and see any one. I felt for the girl after all-proud and haughty as she was. This was a terrible blow to her. I engaged the services of the best criminal lawyer in the State to defend Irving, and with the influence of Mr. Dudley, Mr. Leiberg and other rich and influential men whose

ply of money I managed to secure Irving's Whether he really felt the extravagant expressions of gratitude he expressed I can not tell. But that he was exceedingly glad to escape from the predicaments in to which he had gotten himself I am certain.

favor I secured, and by a most liberal sup-

I then proceeded to offer the Barretts the amount of the legacy provided for them in my father's will. Irving took his share eagerly, and soon after left for the West But Irma utterly refused to touch a cent of



rather small but comfortable house in Bwhere Irma sat, her hands folded listlessly on her lap, her golden hair hanging in caregreeted me coldly, yet with a dreamy sort of absent-mindedness that made me think

her thoughts were far away. "I have come, Irma," I said, "to endeavor to be friends with you. Let the past be past; we can not alter it. I know that you have been brought up to think yourself an heiress. Irma, people have honored and

it is, of course, a great trial to you to find that such is not the case. Yet, I am not to blame for this. Surely you should feel no enmity against me for claiming only what is my just right. We have not been to blame, Irma, you or I, for the wicked scheme. Let us be friends. I helped your brother, let me help you. My father left you a legacy of five thousand. Please accept it, and I will aid you in any other way I can, also. Irma did not answer me at first. Her face showed no emotion until I had finished speaking. Then she arose, her features

"I do not want your bounty, Dorcas Caledon," she almost hissed between her shut teeth. "You have wronged me beyond re-



and have always loved. His love and esteem I valued ten times more than the Cal-

all the friendship in the world could compensate me for my love. I do not want your friendship or your money, for sooner than street. You are mistress of Caledon now. Oliver Dudley is your devoted slave. May

you be very happy."

She paused. I knew not what to say. Her wild, impassioned words showed me the depth of her passionate, willful nature, and her bold allusion to Oliver Dudley made my cheek crimson, yet my heart swelled with pity for her. Once more I endeavored to

"You speak wildly, Irma," I said. "Mr. Dudley is nothing to me except a friend." I blushed the next instant, though, remembering that I did regard him in a dif ferent light though that he had sught except a friendly feeling for me remained to

"And you refuse my offer of friendship, Miss Barrett," I said, rising. She bowed

cried. "Believe me, Oliver Dudley is only a friend to me." mine. Never shall I forget their cold, hope-

"You waste your words, Miss Caledon," was all she said, and I walked away, leav ing her, as I had found her, sitting idly by the window, her waxen hands folded in her

"Oh! the wickedness of this world!" I eried, as I went homeward. "But for her mother's wicked scheme of

defrauding a helpless orphan, Irma would to-day have been a happy girl, and we should have been as dear sisters to-

"I had been at Caledon Heights a year when Mr. Dudley, returning from the North where he had been attending the settling of his father's estate, made me a formal offer of his hand and heart.

"I have always loved you, Dorcas," he said. You are the one woman in the world I would choose for my wife. Without your eve I am miserable, indeed. Surely you vill not send me away, Dorcas. Only give me the smallest share of your love and I shall be content."

It is needless to record my answer. Suffice to say that Mr. Dudley did not leave, and that he confessed the share I granted him of my love proved quite sufficient. We were married quietly, only the dear friends I had known in the years of my adversity being present. Among these were

Bertie Clayton, whose congratulations were as warm and hearty as one would wish. My honored rgrandparents, in whose good graces I am happy to say I at once found myself, immediately took up their residence at the Heights at my earnest solicitation. · Also my dear adopted mother became an inmate of my home, for I could not bear to be separated from her who had been to me mother, friend and sister in the time when friendly hands were rare.

A few words more, and I will close. Irma Barrett ever refused stubbornly to accept my friendship or my love; she married a wealthy planter in after years, but I fear was never happy or contented. Irving profited by the lesson taught him, for there is to-day no more upright or henest man or one more respected in the community in which he lives. Bertie Clayton is a talented young lawyer and loved by all who know him. Mr. and Mrs. Clayton are both sleepbeen for many years. Near their graves is that of Agres Armund; let us hope after life's fitful feyer their sleep is sweet.

So closes this short and simple story of my life. After all the darke louds were swept away and the sun shone brighter than ever, there is only one regret, one sorrow over which I can never feel quite rec onciled, that is that my dear kind, father's dying wish and prayer for one more sight of his child could not have been granted But after all what matters it? Will there not be sufficient time in all eternity, when we shall meet to compensate for all the

And so, dear reader, ends the story of Dorcas Caledon, the last heiress of Caledon

[THE END.] TAKEN FOR MRS. SURRATT.

A Rhode Island Lady's Adventure at th .Time of Lincoln's Assassination.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., February 18. There lives in this city a most estimable lady, Mrs. Stevenson, who twenty-two years ago was arrested and confined in of Abraham Lincoln. Mr. Samuel W. Pierce and his sister, Mrs. Stevenson, the time that Booth's bullet struck down President Lincoln, and they were continuing their journey, while the country was being scoured by soldiers and detectives in search of the murderers. When at Newport News an armed party lady, the officer in command concluded Surratt and one of her male accomplices. Mr. Pierce was indignant, and demand-

conferred by a squadran of cavalry at their heels. Very sternly the captain bade Mr. Pierce, if he valued what little of life remained to him and his companion, to hold his tongue, as he would not be responsible for the discipline of his command should their identity be known to the soldiers. "Why should they not know who we

are?" inquired the perplexed Pierce.

The officer smiled grimly and said that such assumed innocence might deceive a greenhorn in the service of the country, but it would have no effect on a veteran of his experience. Cautioning the travelers to keep their own counsel if they wished to reach the fort in a recognizable condition, he gave the word of command and the dragoons ranging themselves on each side of the carriage in which the lady and gentleman were riding, broke into a canter, closing up on all sides, so that escape was impossible.

At Fortress Monroe the lady and gentleman were received in silence. commandant with the nature of the capture, and he, too, seeing the danger of delivering his prisoners alive, were it known that they were Mrs. Surratt and another of the gang of conspirators, gave strict orders that the names of the prisoners should be kept secret from the rank and file. When within the grim fortress the travelers were separated and confined in casemate barrack rooms.

"You shall be attended to by women. prepared to leave for Washington at an and one in the eastern section. nour's notice." "I have no business in Washington.

sir. I have just left that city." "I am compelled to take official notice but respectful reply: "in the meantime you will hand me your traveling bag." "Have I fallen into the hands of ban-

loyal soldiers of the Union, madam; men | per acre. who must do their duty even if it offend and discommode a lady.'

"I beg your pardon; indeed I do, said the lady, with frankness. "I am annoyed, it is true, at this unwarrantable detention, but it gives me no excuse for calling you bandits. Please forgive me," and the lady extended her hand.

To her astonishment the commandant did not take it. He merely bowed, and informed her that he would make such arrangements as he could for her comfort. Mrs. Stevenson little knew the reason why the brave officer had not accepted the friendly hand she had ex-tended, but she soon learned that he thought it was red with the blood of the martyred Lincoln, and she readily forgave him the seeming discourtesy. An hour later, after the effects of Mr. Pierce and Mrs. Stevenson had been ex-

amined, they were brought together and questioned again as to their names and where they had come from. Of course they had but one story to tell. They had come from Providence and were going

"If I telegraph to the Governor of Rhode Island, will he confirm what you say?" ssked the commanding officer. "Undoubtedly, for he is well acquainted with us." was the reply.

The wires were put in operation, and in a few hours a message was received by the arrival at the fort of an officer of Stevenson were personally known. They lined with the Colonel and resumed their

Much as worthy friends add to the hapoiness and value of life, we must in the main depend on ourselves, and every one is his own best friend or worst enemy.

OUR AGRICULTURAL REVIVAL.

THE STATE.

What the Farmers of South Carolina Have Been Doing for Themselves and the State-Suggestions for the Future.

The February number of the Monthly Report of the State Department of Agriculture contains the following "Notes" which will be read with interest by the

For the last two years there has been something of an agricultural revival in South Carolina. The farmers have shown great interest, as they should do, n public affairs. Numerous meetings nave been held and various subjects discussed. We would be glad if the secretaries of every agricultural club in the State would send the Commissioner a ist of the members of the club, so that the publications of the Department could be mailed them. We would like also to be informed whenever agricultural subjects are discussed, and if the Department can furnish any information on any of the subjects in which the farmers are interested it will be most cheerfully

In this connection the attention of these clubs is called to the notice frequently published by the Department that analyses of fertilizers will be made for farmers without charge. Directions for drawing samples, which are very olain, will be furnished upon application to the Commissioner.

Nothing shows more conclusively the penefits of the official control of the sales of fertilizers, and the efficiency of the system of fertilizer analyses adopted by the South Carolina Department of Agriculture, than the fact that complaints of worthless fertilizers are rarely ever heard; and notwithstanding that the Department has frequently offered to make analyses for farmers free, very few samples are ever sent in, thus showing the confidence of those most interested in the analyses of fertilizers. The work of the Department, therefore, has been of great value to manufacturer and con-

From present indications the sales of commercial fertilizers will exceed those of former years. The consumption will possibly be greater than in any other

The Department has received no official statements on the subject, but unofficial reports show that the small grain crop of the State is very promising at this time, and unless some unusual disaster overtakes the crop it will be one of the largest produced in the State in were traveling to Newberne, N. C., at many years. The winter has been so ed in any way from cold weather.

stopped them, and, after scrutinizing the Pee Dee and Waccamaw and Edisto being of improved varieties. I did not that he had intercepted the flight of Mrs. hoped that the fishermen will not make co flies, and I had worms by the thou-

formance of a disagreeable duty. portant character of the work of the South Carolina Department of Agriculture can be given than a statement of the posed of ten members, is the directing Chemist, the Curator of the Museum, three Inspectors of Fertilizers, four Fish Patrols, a Special Assistant in the Phosphate Department and a Veterinary Surgeon and the Signal Service Observ-An er, the Director and two Superintendorderly dashed ahead to acquaint the ents of Experiment Stations, making seventeen persons actively employed. In addition to these there are connected with the State Weather Service about twenty voluntary observers, who furnish monthly weather reports, about 500 county correspondents, who make monthly crop reports and furnish other infor-

The Inspectors of Fertilizers are actively engaged in drawing samples in Revenue laws I could load my tobacco various parts of the State. One is in madam," said the commandant, "but be lower Carolina, one in the upper section

> Mr. F. M. Rogers, of Florence, S. C., has furnished the News and Courier a very interesting article on tobacco culture. He says that in 1887 Mr. F. M. Rogers, Jr., planted twenty acres and

ture will cheerfully furnish any information about the State that may be desired. | crow.-Louisville Home and Farm.

The Springfield (Ohio) Farm and Fireside publishes a very interesting letter from S. W. Phares, of Harper's Mills, West Virginia, in which the woman, having previously presented the fool in the world is an old fool! writer asks the editor to tell him where model man. Here is what is said of her: "A cain I advise you not to he can find the kind of home he desires -one where he can support himself in the dairy and poultry business and enjoy a climate beneficial to a person suffering from pulmonary troubles. The editor very kindly and properly advises the correspondent to go to Aiken or Columbis, South Carolina, and if he had taken a year to study the question and looked met its duties bravely, deserving and reover the map of the world he could not ceiving the respect of all who know her. things about your dress, and about your have given better advice.

During the past month the Department of Agriculture has received numerous inquiries about the resources and from Governor Smith, of Rhode Island, advantages of South Carolina. Among fully verifying the statements of the them one party asks for grazing lands, travelers. The explanation was clinched another for timber lands, another desires to locate a factory in some locality high rank to whom Mr. Pierce and Mrs. | where rushes grow abundantly. Another desires to know where the palmetto were immediately released, and so, in-stead of being sent to Washington under these inquiries have been received from guard as assassins of Lincoln, they parties owning land, but all others who may have such lands as are desired are requested to correspond with the Commissioner of Agriculture at Columbia.

and action in regard thereto will be taken at the next meeting of the Board on the 1st of March. In the meantime agricultural associations in the State can be making arrangements to co-operate with

the Department in this important work. This is a matter in which the farmers should feel the greatest possible interest, and it is hoped that all will cordially and enthusiastically support the Board in Girls About Flattery. whatever policy may be decided upon in the conduct of these meetings.

Inquiries continue to come to the Department of Agriculture regarding the resources of the State. The gentleman from Onio who some weeks ago inquired about grazing lands writes that he will visit South Carolina in the course of a few months and examine some of the numerous farms that have been offered im. He has made a visit to Tennessee but returned home somewhat disappoint there. He evidently expects to find bet ter grazing lands in South Carolina, and refers particularly to the coast region of the State.

The gentleman who inquired about the growth of rushes, with a view of establishing a \$250,000 factory to manufacture them into summer matting, acknowledges the receipt of information sent him, and has opened correspondence with parties who can furnish the rushes in abundance A gentleman in New York city writes

for a copy of the Department's special report on the State's exhibit at New orleans. The report, he says, contains valuable information that he desires to use in his studies on natural history. A party in Philadelphia desires in formation about the mineral, timber and

agricultural resources of the State. TOBACCO CULTURE.

The Experience of a South Carolina Farm er in Growing the Weed. Dr. J. B. O. Landrum, of Spartan

burg county, writes as follows to the Department of Agriculture: "I find after all that the planting of small tobacco crop pays handsomely, if nicely handled. I am now selling my tobacco in the neighborhood and sur rounding country very readily at 10 to 15 cents per pound, and will soon have

sold all I have on hand. in sowing enough seed for plants. I had plants, but the trouble was I could not get them big enough for early setting, hence I had to resort to begging from every source. It was not until about the last of May that I got all the ground (which was newly cleared, well rooted, well pulverized and well manured) set in tobacco plants. Many of these died out owing to the heat of the sun, notwithstanding I shaded them, and some of which I tried to hurry by cutting through the stalk and peeling the bark the Commissioner has appointed three around the same. The consequence was patrols at Georgetown and one at Or- that my tobacco, especially the late angeburg to prevent illegal fishing in the setting, was of an inferior kind, not all Rivers dufing the close time. It is take enough precaution to kill the tobacit necessary for these officials to take sands. In spite of all my efforts to exany action against them during the sea- terminate them they devoured my on, but that all will cheerfully obey the tobacco, and a good deal of it was ragged laws. The patrols have been instructed and full of holes. I still went to work to report all violations of the law, and with a big heart; built a big barn and no effort will be spared by those whose | bought flues. I endeavored to get a man duty it is to see that the laws are en-forced to bring all offenders to trial. work and endeavored to cure after Eng-The laws are wise and proper, and it is land's method, and succeeded in getting hoped that the fishermen will appreciate some very nice tobacco. At odd times this fact and save the officials the peranxiously for a time to ship and meet with a remunerative return, which time never came. I shipped to Durham, N. C., about 150 pounds, prepaid the freight, and was looking for a handsome force engaged in the performance of that work. The Board of Agriculture, compared of ten members in the direction to be a direction of the members in the direction of the performance of that the bear hid off at a second of the members in the direction of the performance of that the performance of had been cheated in weights, and my tobacco had been bid off at 2 cents per power. The executive force consists of the Commissioner and his Clerk, the had flooded the markets, and the manufacturers could get all they wanted without bidding against each other. I was forced to keep all I had on hand, and

sorrow over my folly.
"In 1886 I planted an acre, but was very careless in the management of it, being somewhat disheartened as to the profitableness of the culture. I am convinced, on reflection, that a very small crop will pay. It gives employment to hands when the ground is too wet for other work. It gives employment after the other crops are laid by, and work for hands rainy days during the winter months in shipping, classifying, etc. But for the operations of the Internal in my wagon and cash the same in twenty-four hours. I am in favor of the repeal of the internal revenue tax on tobacco.'

How to Get Rid of the Crows. A Chester (Pa.) gentleman tells an in teresting story of the manner in which has sold to date sixteen tierces of tobac- a Delaware farmer got rid of crows. He co for \$3,200, having enough on hand was greatly troubled by the depredations dits or highwaymen?" exclaimed Mrs. and shipped (but still unsold) to make of these birds, and all the means to drive Stevenson, at a loss to conceive the a total of \$4,500. His expenses will them away permanently having failed, reach \$1,500. This leaves him a clear he tried an original plan. Taking a half "You have fallen into the hands of profit of \$3,000 on twenty acres, or \$150 peck or more of corn he soaked it thoroughly in whiskey and then scattered the cereal along the fence of the field The great blizzards in the Northwest chiefly visited by the feathered thieves, have been so disastrous that many per- He soon had a number of crows eating sons in that section are looking South- the doctored corn, and as they didn't fly ward for more pleasant homes. They away to observe the effect of the dose. can find no better place on earth than He found every crow drank, some lying South Carolina, and all good citizens over on their sides, others tottering from the frozen regions of Dakota, Wis- around in a maudlin attempt to fly. He consin. Minnesota, Ohio or elsewhere could have killed every one, but rewill be cordially welcomed in this State, solved to wait the outcome of the where they will find cheap lands, pure drunk. Gradually the birds recovered, water, congenial homes and a delightful and one by one flew unsteadily away. climate. The Commissioner of Agricul- During the remainder of the season the farmer was not troubled by a single

The Barnwell People gives a model "She is a resident of Hampton county, forty-three years of age, modest and re tiring in conduct and character. For thirteen years she has been a consistent member of the Baptist church. Circumstances have required her to follow course of laborious life generally regarded as unsuited to her sex, but she has For thirty years she has followed the plough and engaged in the usual round bales of cotton, besides provisions, with health, and is sending her children to not equalled her honorable record."

The Medical Society of New York State last year hunted down eighty-five illegal medical practitioners, who were humbugging ignorant people out of their money The Board of Agriculture has been authorized by the Legislature to hold and from the other seventy five fines hat as your business fop is proud of his a defeat of the Administration, was alfarmers' Institutes and Conventions, amounting to \$6,000 were collected.

TO MAKE WOMEN HAPPY.

WARE OF FLATTERY. He Does Not Think Social Position Gives Woman Enough Pleasure to Make It au Object of Desire-What He Said to Young

"What can and what cannot make a woman happy," was the subject of the Rev. Dr. Talmage's discourse at the Brooklyn Tabernacle Sunday morning. lar sermons to the women of America, and hundreds more than could find accommodation went to the church. "The editor of a Boston newspaper," began Dr. Talmage, "a few days ago wrote asking me to the questions: 'What is the road to happiness?' and 'Ought happiness to be the chief aim of life?' My answer was: 'The road to happiness is happy. The chief aim of life ought to the truth that a woman who seeks in will come to disappointment and death.

"I correct the popular impression that people are happier in childhood and youth than they will ever be again. If say to a great many of the young people that the most miserable time you are look is love. His hand is help. ever to have is just now. As you ad- touch is life. His smile is heaven. vance in life, as you come out into the world and have your herd and heart all full of good, honest, practical Christian work, then you will know what it is to begin to be happy. There are those who would have us believe that life is chasing

thistledown and grasping bubbles. have not found it so. not to build your happiness upon mere "Let me give you a little of my experience in tobacco culture. In 1885 I looking off upou life, are apt to think planted five acres. I was short-sighted that if, by some stroke of what is called good luck, you could arrive in an elevated and affluent position, a little higher than that in which God has called you to live, you would be completely happy. Infinite mistake! If the sob of unhappy womanhood in the great cities could break through the tapestried wall, that sob would come along your streets to-day like the simoon of the desert. Sometimes I have heard in the rustling of the robes on the city pavement the those that lived were caught by the hiss of the adders that followed in the home, and you have looked up at the arches, when, perhaps, at that very moment, within that house, there may have been the wringing of hands, the start of

horror, and the very agony of hell.
"All that this world can do for you in silver, in gole of Armeistic plush in Gobelin tapestry, in wide halls, in lordly acquintanceship, will not give you the ten thousandth part of a grain of solid satisfaction. Mere social position will satisfaction. Mere social position will satisfaction. Mere social position will satisfaction. never give happiness to a woman's soul. tion, and I tell the young women that they who build on mere social position their soul's immortal happiness are

building on the sand. "Young women, have you anything to to it, or leave it forever undone. Time is flying very quickly away. I suppose you notice wrinkles are gathering and 5th was made by Mr. McDonald, of Inaccumulating on those kindly faces that diana, and carried by a vote of 29 to 27; then brought out, and a mixture from the taking of forage, provisions or any bind of private property. compensation frost in the locks: the foot is not as firm in its steps as it used to be, and they will soon be gone. The heaviest clod that falls on a parent's coffin lid is the memory of an ungrateful daughter. Oh, make their last days bright and beautiful. Do not act as though they were in the way. Ask their counsel, seek their prayers, and, after long years have passed, and you go out to see the grave where they sleep, you will find growing all over the mounds something lovelier than cypress, something sweeter than the rose, something chaster than the lily -the bright and beautiful memories of filial kindness performed ere the dying hand dropped on you a benediction and you closed the lids over the weary eyes of the worn-out pilgrim.

"I go further, and advise you not to depend for enjoyment upon mere personal attractions. It would be sheer hypocrisy, because we may not have it hypocrisy, because we may not have it district of Columbia to have two delegates.

States, and each Territory and the strict of Columbia to have two delegates.

All Democratic conservative citizens of All Democratic conservative citizens of the strict of the beauty in others. When God gives it, He gives it as a blessing and a means of usefulness. The sloven has only one mission, and that is to excite our loathing and disgust. But alas for those who depend upon personal charms for their happiness! Beauty is such a subtle thing; it does not seem to depend upon facial proportions, or upon the sparkle of the eye, or upon the flush of the cheek. You sometimes find it among irregular features. It is the soul shining through the face that makes one beautiful. But alas! for those who depend upon mere personal charms. They will come to disappointment and to a great fret. There are so many different opinions about what are personal charms | campaign will be aggressive rather than and then sickness and trouble and age | defensive, and that tax reduction will be do make such ravages. The poorest god fought for on the lines plainly marked that a woman ever worships is her own out in the President's recent message. face. The saddest sight in all the world is a woman who has built everything on | make an effort to obtain a reconsideragood looks when the charms begin to tion of the action of the national com- collection of local taxes for school purvanish. Oh, how they try to cover the mittee yesterday in making July 3 the poses. It is evidence of a growing conwrinkles and hide the ravages of time! date of the Convention. It was the gen-When Time, with ironshod feet, steps on | eral judgment that the time was more | a face the hoof marks remain, and you important than the place, and this cannot hide them. It is silly to try to proved the key of the situation. Conhide them. I think the most repulsive

"Again, I advise you not to depend for happiness upon the flatteries of men. It is a poor compliment to your sex that so many men feel obliged in your presence to offer unmeaning compliments. Men capable of elegant and eleborate conversation elsewhere, sometimes feel called upon at the door of the drawing room to drop their common sense and to dole out sickening flatteries. - They say appearance, that you know and they know are false. They say you are an of farm labor. Last year she made nine angel. You know you are not. Determined to tell the truth in office, and the mined to tell the truth in office, and when Mr. W. L. Scott and those who one plough. She has dug one well, built five chimneys, and frequently split a hundred rails a day. She has a good a hundred rails a day. She has a good a hundred rails a day. She has a good a hundred rails a day. She has a good a hundred rails a day. The motion to reconsider was carried by that they told you on this side of the motion to reconsider was carried by the write them. said to some one on the other side of the school regularly. Her life is an elequent drawing room. Oh, let no one trample rebuke to many strong men who have on your self-respect. The meanest thing on which a woman can build her happi ness is the flatteries of men.

"Again, I charge you not to depend for happiness upon the discipleship of worldliness. I have seen men as vain of dangling fooleries. I am glad the world luded to during the session of the com-l anthropist, died in Washington Friday.

the Bible times, and you, will find that

in those times fashion wielded a more "All the splendors and the extravaganza of this world dyed into your robe and flung over your shoulder cannot wrap peace around your heart for a single moment. The gayest wardrobe will It was the seventh of the series of populutter no voice of condolence in the day of trouble and darkness. That woman is grandly dressed, and only she, who is wrapped in the robe of a Saviour's righteousness. The home may be very humble, the hat may be very plain, the frock may be very coarse; but the halo of Heaven settles in the room when she wears it, and the faintest touch of the resurrection angel will change that garment into raiment exceeding white, so as no fuller on earth could whiten it. "I come to you, young women, to-day

the continuous effort to make others to say that this world cannot make you happy. I know it is a bright world, with glorious sunshine, and golden be usefulness, not happiness; but happirivers, and fire-worked sunset, and bird ness always follows usefulness.' This orchestra, and the darkest cave has its morning's text in a strong way sets forth | crystals, and the wrathiest wave its foam wreath, and the coldest midnight its worldly advantage her chief enjoyment flaming aurora; but God will put out all these lights with the blast of His own 'She that liveth in pleasure is dead while nostrils, and the glories of this world will perish in the final conflagration. You will never be happy until you get your sins forgiven and allow Christ Jesus to take full possession of your youth than they will ever be again. If we live aright, the older the happier.

The happiest woman that I ever knew was a Christian octogenarian. I have to say to a great many of the young people in every strait. His word is peace. His come, then, in flocks and groups.

> THE NATIONAL CONVENTION. It Will be Held at St. Lonis-How the

Washington, February 23 .- The Democratic committee reassembled at 10.30

Yoting for the city in which to hold the convention wis taken up at once. The first ballot this morning, Chicago stood 16. San Francisco 17, St. Louis 13. New York 1. After the first ballot the motion to reconsider the time of the convention was defeated by a vote of 23 have been disposed of in fifteen minutes

On the third ballot St. Louis was seected. When the result was announced burning. the selection was made premimons. The vote by States on the third ballot, before the vote was made unanimous, was: For St. Louis-Arkansas, Connecticut, Louisiana, Maryland, Massachusetts, Vermont, Virginia, West Virgreat house, and covet a life under those ginia, Dakota, District of Columbia, Montana and Washington Territory. For Chicago-Alaba, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Maire, Michigan, Minne-

sots, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, North Carolina, Fennsylvania, Bhode Ishnd. Wisconsin, New Mexico. Island. Wiscomin, New Mexico,

York. For Cincinnati-Ohio. Before the result of the vote could be announced delegates commenced changing votes, and finally Goudy, of Illinois, his right foot-now quite well-he has who was S. C. Judd's substitute, moved that the vote be made unanimous, which | thoroughly to work. was done. A motion to reconsider the ing. A motion to fix the date on June | teen miles, returning to dinner. against the change were Arkansas, Colorado, California, Connecticut, Florida, pose of hardening the skin. Next a Georgia, Oregon, Rhode Island, Texas, darker liquid was brought into play, Virginia, West Virginia, Arizona, Idaho, another quarter of an hour being spent Montana, Washington Territory, Louisi- in rubbing the hands and wrists.

ana and Missouri. The National Committee will meet on its, then entered freely into conversation

the 4th June. THE CALL FOR THE CONVENTION. The following is the call: The National Democratic Committee the 22d day of February, 1888, has appointed Tuesday, the 5th day of June next, at noon, as the time and chosen resentation therein equal to double the number of its-Senators and Representathe United States, irrespective of past political associations and differences, who can unite with us in the effort for a pure, economical and constitutional Government are cordially invited to join us in Donald remarked, 'a man would be very sending delegates to the Convention. WILLIAM H. BARNUM,

FREDERICK O. PRINCE,

Secretary National Dem. Committee. Washington, February 23 .- The action of the National Democratic Commit- who has never known defeat can possitee to-day means that the policy of the bly be." Democratic party in the coming election plished in the small hours of the mo ning, and when the committee met to-day it was pretty sure that St. Louis would be the chosen city and the Democratic Convention would meet before June 19, the day on which the Republican Con-

vention will assemble at Chicago. dered easier by the fact that the objections to San Francisco on the score of distance grew stronger as they were pondered. Senator Gorman's appeal to the supporters of Sau Francisco to join him in voting for a more accessible place and the subsequent withdrawal of Chicago, a 10und majority, though Maryland, Georgia, Virginia, California, Florida and Colorado continued to oppose any change of date. By a rather larger majority June 5 was then selected as the day for the Democratic gathering.

NO OPPOSITION TO CLEVELAND. The current report that the vote on

is improving. Look at the fashion, mittee, but on every side there was the plates of the seventeenth and eighteenth earnest declaration that no such meancenturies and you will find that the ing could properly be given to the comworld is not so extravagant and extra- mittee's action. Mr. Gorman was espeordinary now as it was then, and all the cially emphatic in announcing himself marvelous things that the granddaughter to be "an Administration man," and will do will never equal that done by the every committeeman who had voted for grandmother. Go still farther back, to a July meeting spoke in the same strain. THE TARIFF QUESTION.

> It is safe to conclude that every member of the national committee is for Cleveland, first and last, but several members representing States that are not Democratic, but which must be earried to ensure success in November, think that the President went too far, and was unnecessarily definite in his tariff message. They preferred, therefore, to await some tariff legislation by the House of Representatives, with the idea, apparently, that this action would not cut as deep as the President's recommenda tions. The national platform could then

> e brought to its level. Those who, on the other hand, accepthe President's message, as the fighting proved, believe that the National Convention can and will bring the Democrats in Congress to a more liberal standard of tax reduction than can be expected if the party remain deaf and dumb until the time for Congressional work shall have passed. The high tariff Democrats in the com-

> mittee voted generally for a State Convention, while the low tariff members voted for an early meeting. This is the explanation of the existence of what has een denominated the Administration and Auti-Administration sentiment in

> This view is strengthened by the terms of the telegram of Mayor Francis, of St. Louis, to President Cleveland. COMMENT ON THE CHOICE.

> Both the day and place are well spoken of by influential Democrats to-night. June is regarded as a better time than July for the meeting of the Convention, and it is felt that the party in power acts wisely in taking the offensive, without waiting upon the movements of its op-

> Then again there is a feeling of a relief that what are understood to be the views of the President cannot even be said to have been disregarded. I am assured by the leaders of the July party that they would cheerfully have deferred at once to the wishes of the President if these had been made known to them in time. and that the whole business could then But all's well that ends well. There is no soreness anywhere and no heart-

A HARD FIGHT AHEAD. The one thought now is to arrange and conduct the canvass so that Mr. over, whoever the Republican candidate of that

An Eye-Witness Describes His Condition

Sportsman reporter, who looked nearly two stone of flesh since he last appeared in public, Sullivan looks the picture of robust health and strength, and with the exception of a blister on

not been sick or sorry since he first went "Yesterday, accompanied by his traindo in the way of making your father's date was made by Mr. Scott and carried er, George MacDonald, Jack Ashton and home happy? Now is the time to attend by a vote of 26 to 19, Texas being absent and Prather, of Missouri, not vot- bath and breakfast, covered about four-

others not voting. Those States voting one applied for nearly a quarter of an kind of private property, compensation "Sullivan, who was in excellient spir-

and amused all present by relating with great pith and-humor several anec lotes of his early career.

"In this manner the time slipped by having met in the city of Washington on until Sullivan was due to punch the ball. This was a new one, the other having been used up with a smashing right bander. Sullivan donned an extra jerthe city of St. Louis as the place for say and took up his position in front of holding the National Democratic Con- a football suspended by a cord from the E. Johnston, C. S. A., the officers and vention. Each State is entitled to rep- ceiling. Eight or ten times in succes- men of this army are to bind themselves sion the ball was sent with terrific force not to take up arms sgainst the United by means of a punch from the left; then tives in the Congress of the United a crashing blow, delivered with the other hand, threatened to bring the ceiling, ball and rafters down upon us. "Sullivan's terrible right has been much talked of, and yesterday I saw it tion and the laws in force where they to perfection. Utilizing all his weight reside. ohn I. sends every ounce of his fourteen stone into the blow, and, as Mac-

> greedy to want two such hits.' "More walking, rubbing down and tea followed, during which Sullivan told States, and there be disbanded, all reme he hardly knew what training was until in England, and that he never felt so well in all his life. Sullivan will step into the ring as near fourteen stone as the commanders who made it. Events possible, as fit as hands can make him and, moreover, as confident as a man

Acts were passed this last session of the Legislature establishing special school viction among the people of the State, that in our present condition it is the only way by which efficient schools cin be maintained in each community. This that he saw whole bales of delicate Turkish siderable missionary work was accom- is but the pioneer movement which will. before many years result in a system of efficient free common schools in every school district in the State. The necessity for the education of the masses is so urgent, and the great good that results therefrom in our moral, social, political and material advancement so evident. This solution of the difficulty was re n that prejudice and old fogyism may stay its progress for a time, but these movements never go backward, and those who oppose them as a rule, become their most zealous supporters.—Darlington

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Columbia, S. C. Mr. W. W. Corcoran, the great phiTHE END OF THE WAR.

PAPERS THAT RECALL THE DOWN-FALL OF THE CONFEDERACY.

General Lee's Farewell to the Army of Northern Virginia-The Sherman-John

The Prosperity Reporter has procured from an old soldier copies of the papers relating to the closing scenes of the War between the States. They will be read

Lee's Farewell to His Troops. HEADQUARTERS ARMY NORTHERN VA., (pril 10, 1865.

After four years of hard service, marked by unsurpassed courage and fortitude, the Army of Northern Virginia has been compelled to yield to overwhelming numbers and resources. I need not tell the brave survivors of so many hardfought battles, who have remained stead fast to the last, that I have consented to this result from no distrust of them; but feeling that valor and devotion could accomplish nothing that would compensate for the loss that must have attended the continuance of the contest, I determined to avoid the useless sacrifice of those whose past services have endeared

them to their countrymen. By the terms of agreement, officers and men can return to their homes and there remain until exchanged. You will take with you the satisfaction that proceeds from the consciousness of duty faithfully performed; and I earnestly pray that a merciful God will extend His olessing to your country, and with a grateful remembrance of your kind and generous consideration for myself, I bid you all an affectionate fare well.

R. E. LEE, General. Agreement between Sherman and Johnston HEADQUARTERS MIL. DIV. OF THE MISS.) In the Field, Ealeigh, N. C., April 27, 1865. SPECIAL FIELD ORDER,

The General Commanding announces further suspension of hostilities, and a final agreement with General Johnston. which terminetes the war as to the armies under his command, and the country east of the Chattahoochee. Copies of the terms of convention will e furnished Major Generals Schofield, Fillmore and Wilson, who are specially

charged with the execution of its details in the Department of North Carolins, Department of the South, and at Macon and Western Georgia. Capt. Jasper Myers, Ordinance Dept. U. S. A., is hereby designated to receive Cleveland shall be his own successor. It the arms, &c., at Greensboro, and any Delaware. Florida, Indiana, Kentucky, will be a hard fight, and no mere walk commanding officer of a post may re-

ceive the arms of any detachment and see that they are properly counted for. General Schofield will procure at once the necessary blanks, and supply the Army Commanders, that uniformity may prevail, and great care must be taken that the terms and stipulations on our part be fulfilled with the most scrupulous fidelity, whilst those imposed on our hitherto enemies be received in a

spirit becoming a brave and generous army. Army Commanders may at once loan to the inhabitants such of the captured mules, horses, wagons, and vehicles as can be spared from immediate use, and the Commanding Generals of Armies may issue provisions, animals, and any public supplies that can be spared, to relieve present wants, and to encourage the inhabitants to renew their peaceful pursuits, and to restore the relations of

friendship among our fellow-citizens and countrymen. Foraging will forthwith cease, and will be made on the spot, or, when the disbursing officers are not provided with funds, vouchers will be given in proper form, payable at the nearest Military

By order of Maj. Gen. W. T. SHERMAN. HEADQUARTERS ARMY TENNESSEE, Near Greensboro, N. C., April 27, '65.

By the terms of a military convention made on the 26th inst., by Major Gen. W. T. Sherman, U. S. A., and Gen. J. States until properly relieved from that obligation, and shall receive guarantees molestation by the United States authorities so long as they observe that obliga-

For these objects duplicate muster rolls will be made out immediately, and after the distribution of the necessary papers, the troops will be marched under their officers to their respective taining private property. The object of this convention is paci-

fication to the extent of the authority of in Virginia which broke every hope of success by war, imposed on its General the duty of sparing the blood of our gallant soldiers and saving our country from further devastation and ruin. J. E. Johnston, General.

cigarettes, and they do a large trade. The eigarettes for the most part contain a soupon, so that the cigarette smoking Parisienne doubly narcotizes herself. Scent also is freely used, and a recent writer deciares tobacco stewing in liquid scent. "The fragrance of the Turkey leaf is not good enough for them," he indignantly protests; 'they must needs add this mephitic essence of roses, or carnations or heliotropes." The journalist rages against the use of tois unfeminine, but because tobacco blackens the teeth of its votaries.—Chicago News.

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The Young Men's Democratic Club of Massachusetts have voted to unite with similar organizations in New York and satisfactory. Order and test in your Brooklyn in calling on youthful followers of the party all over the country to organize. A convention of delegates from these clubs will follow. This is following the lead of the other fellows. The club idea is being greatly exalted in